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Serial No. 09/987,607 ✓)
Filed: November 15, 2001 ✓)
For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING)
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RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Official Action mailed May 1, 2002 has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time.

Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 15, 2001.

Claims 1-23 are pending in the present application, of which claims 1-5 are independent. Submitted herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent 5,814,529, which is believed to overcome all rejections.

Specifically, paragraph 2 of the Official Action rejects claims 1-5 and 15-18 under the doctrine of double patenting based on claims 1-4 of U.S. Patent 5,814,529. Paragraph 3 of the Official Action rejects claims 6-10 under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting based on the combination of claims 1-4 of U.S. Patent 5,814,529 and U.S. Patent 5,504,029 to Murata et al. Finally, paragraph 4 of the Official Action rejects claims 11-14 and 19-23 under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting based on the combination of claims 1-4 of U.S. Patent 5,814,529 and U.S. Patent Re 33,829 to Castleberry.

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In response to the above rejections, Applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent 5,814,529. With the submission of the Terminal Disclaimer it is believed that the above rejections have been overcome and the subject application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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